

CITY INTELLIGENCE

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METEOROLOGICAL

A Thermometrical Review of the Year 1870—Comparisons with the Past—The Unusually "Heated Term" of the Season and Autumn.

In the following table is given the mean temperature of each month of the year 1870, as indicated by the thermometer at the Pennsylvania Hospital, together with the highest and lowest point attained, in comparison with the corresponding months of 1869 and 1868.

Table with columns for Year, Mean, Highest, and Lowest temperatures for each month from 1870 to 1868.

The unusual warmth of the past year will be indicated clearly by the following table, in which the mean temperature of each month of 1870 is placed in comparison with the average of the mean temperatures of the corresponding months for a period of 31 years, together with the highest and lowest mean temperatures recorded during that period.

Table comparing monthly mean temperatures of 1870 with 31-year averages and highest/lowest means.

In the following table is given the mean temperatures of the winter, spring, summer, and autumn months of the year from December 1, 1869, to November 30, 1870, in comparison with the corresponding seasons of 1868-69 and 1867-68; also the highest and lowest means during the corresponding seasons for a period of 31 years, and the average of the mean temperatures during that period.

Table showing seasonal mean temperatures for winter, spring, summer, and autumn.

The mid-winter "heated term" terminated on the 20th of February, and the mean temperature of March fell 1.30 degrees below the average for eighty-one years. April witnessed a return to unusual warmth, the mean temperature being 53.50 degrees, or 2.35 degrees above the average.

The mean temperature of December has been 37.67 degrees, 3.14 degrees above the average of the mean temperature of December for eighty-one years.

The average of the mean temperature of the year just closing is 50.83 degrees. The average of the mean temperature of 1869 is 50.52 degrees, the warmest previously known during that period being 1828, with an average of 55.75 degrees; and the coldest, 1826, with an average of 49 degrees.

RAIN.

The Rain Fall During the Year 1870. Compared with that of 31 Years.

During the year, rain fell on 127 days, on 22 of which it fell all or nearly all day. The heaviest rain fall, 6.28 inches, was in May, during which month occurred the greatest number of rainy days, 19 in number, but two of which, however, were characterized by copious rain. The lightest rain fall, as in De-

ember, including but four rainy days. The number of days on which snow fell was 30, of which 21 were in the first three months of the year and nine in the last two. During 1869, there were 123 rainy days, and 133 in 1868. In 1869, snow fell on 25 days, and in 1868 on 44 days.

In the following table is given the quantity of rain, in inches, which fell during each month of the year 1870, in comparison with the three previous years, according to the records of the Pennsylvania Hospital:

Table showing monthly rainfall in inches for 1870, 1869, 1868, and 1867.

In the following table is given the quantity of rain which fell during each month of the year, in comparison with the mean rain fall of 33 years, and the maximum and minimum rain fall of each month during that period:

Table comparing monthly rainfall of 1870 with 33-year averages and historical extremes.

GOLD.

The Fluctuations in the Precious Metal During the Year 1870 and Previous Years.

In the following table are given the highest and lowest points touched by gold in each month of the present year, as compared with the two previous years:

Table showing gold price fluctuations for 1870, 1869, and 1868.

THE LEGISLATURE.

The Approaching Session—The Two Houses, and How They are Made Up.

On Tuesday of next week, January 3, the Legislature of Pennsylvania will assemble at Harrisburg, and the people of the State will once more be placed in constant peril of corrupt and unnecessary legislation.

ROSTER OF REPRESENTATIVES.

- List of representatives from Philadelphia, including names like S. P. Thompson, Samuel Josephs, etc.

ROSTER OF SENATORS.

- List of senators from Philadelphia, including names like R. P. Dechert, A. W. Henszey, etc.

ROSTER OF REPRESENTATIVES.

- Continuation of the list of representatives from Philadelphia.

ROSTER OF SENATORS.

- Continuation of the list of senators from Philadelphia.

Political Changes in the Legislature.

The political standard of the two houses of the next Legislature, as compared with the last, is as follows:

Table comparing political party counts in the Senate and House for 1871 and 1870.

The change of two members in the Senate gives the control of that branch to the Democrats by a majority, while the loss of 5 Republican members in the House of Representatives cuts down the Republican majority in that branch from 30 to 10, reducing the Republican majority on joint ballot from 23 to 9.

In the following table are given the majorities in each house every year since 1856:

Table showing majorities in the Senate and House from 1856 to 1870.

From this it will be seen that the Republicans held continuous control of the Senate from 1860 to 1869 inclusive, and that they have controlled the House of Representatives since 1859, except in 1862 and 1863. It was in the latter year only, however, that there was a break in the success of Republican majorities on joint ballot since 1859, the result being the election of Hon. Charles R. Buckalew to the United States Senate.

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